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Nereida Maria Menendez et al.	:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COMPLETING A RENTAL AGREEMENT ONLINE
Serial No. 09/698,491	:	
Filed: October 27, 2000	:	Attorney Docket No. 285277-00015

LETTER

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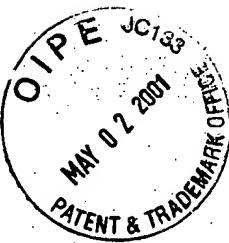
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